

**REMARKS**

Claims 30-31 and 32 have been restricted under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between:

- I. Claims 30-31, drawn to a method of producing starch comprising modifying characteristics of a plant comprising introducing a combination of sequences on a single nucleic acid construct; and
- II. Claim 32, drawn to a method of producing starch comprising modifying characteristics of a plant comprising introducing a combination of sequences wherein the first sequence is introduced into a plurality of plants and one or more of the plurality of plants is selected for introduction of a second sequence.

Applicants elect Group I. Claim 32 has been withdrawn, subject to rejoinder if the linking claims are found allowable.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests early action.

Respectfully submitted,



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